REMARKS

The applicant has noted the requirements for revising the Abstract and, accordingly, submits a revised Abstract. This Abstract meets the length requirements of 50 to 150 words and should be acceptable.

An objection to the disclosure was made because Paragraph 0011 was a copy of certain claim language. Accordingly, a new 0011 is submitted herewith. This should be acceptable.

Regarding the objections to the claim, Claim 4 was objected to because of an extra period. This extra period has now been removed and revised Claim 4 is submitted.

Regarding claims 1-10, these claims were objected to under 35 USC §112. The various claims have now been amended in light of this objection. In all cases, the claims now have the correct language, including that the valve cover is spaced closely apart axially from the end face portion. The objection to the language of claim 2 as having one and then the other end, has now been revised and is considered acceptable.

Claim 10 contains the same or similar language and the directional reference has been supplied.

Considering that the prior art made of record is not particularly pertinent to applicant's disclosure, this application is now considered to be allowable and, accordingly, an early notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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